

should be paid for and not add to the deficit. I want my colleagues to know that I will continue to seek to have this spending dropped from the bill or offset with appropriate spending cuts.

I congratulate my good friend from Mississippi, Senator COCHRAN, who managed the Homeland appropriations bill for using the Budget Act successfully to control the spending in his bill. I look forward to working with my colleagues on the remaining appropriations bills to continue that success.

I ask unanimous consent that a table displaying the budget points of order raised during consideration of the Department of Homeland Security appropriations bill for fiscal year 2005 and their cost be inserted in the RECORD.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

TEN-YEAR COST OF DEMOCRATIC AMENDMENTS TO THE  
FISCAL YEAR 2005 HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS  
BILL DEFEATED BY BUDGET POINTS OF ORDER  
(Budget authority, in billions of dollars)

Amendment <sup>a</sup>	PoO <sup>b</sup>	2005	2005–14
3580—Schumer—Port security R&D grants ..	302(f)	0.2	1.7
3596—Murray—Port security .....	302(f)	0.3	3.3
3597—Byrd—Misc. homeland programs .....	302(f)	2.0	22.1
3604—Dodd—First responders .....	302(f)	15.8	175.2
3617—Lautenberg—Coast Guard .....	302(f)	0.1	1.1
3624—Mikulski—Firefighter assistance grants .....	302(f)	0.2	1.7
3632—Clinton—High threat area funding increase .....	302(f)	0.6	6.9
3649—Byrd—TSA and SPR .....	501(b)	0.0	0.5
3655—Schumer—Border security .....	302(f)	0.4	3.9
3656—Schumer—Rail security .....	302(f)	0.4	3.9
Subtotal .....		19.9	220.2
Interest on amendments <sup>c</sup> .....		0.0	65.2
Total including interest .....		19.9	285.3

<sup>a</sup> The increases in spending in several of these amendments may be for very similar or identical purposes.

<sup>b</sup> 302(f): Amendment exceeded Homeland Security 302(b) allocation; 501(b): Amendment provided advance appropriations in an account not identified for advance appropriations by the conference report on H. Con. Res. 95, the Concurrent Resolution on the Budget for Fiscal Year 2004.

<sup>c</sup> Approximated based on budget authority.

Source: Senate Budget Committee Republican Staff.

#### TRIBUTE TO ERNIE ALLEN OF KENTUCKY

Mr. MCCONNELL. Mr. President, I rise today to pay tribute to a friend of over 40 years—a fellow Kentuckian who has had a national impact. It is an honor and a privilege to congratulate my good friend, Ernie Allen, on winning the Henry Clay Distinguished Kentuckian Award from the Kentucky Society of Washington. Ernie's work as President and CEO of the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children makes him a most worthy recipient. As I mentioned, I've known Ernie for over 40 years, dating back to our days at Manual High School in Louisville. On the same day I won election as president of the high school, Ernie was elected president of the junior high school. We both went on to attend the University of Louisville, and were fraternity brothers.

Knowing Ernie so well, I can assure you that his dedication to rescuing missing children runs deep. Over twenty years ago, when I was the Jefferson County Judge-Executive, Ernie was the Director of the Louisville/Jefferson

County Crime Commission. That Commission was the first of its kind to bring police officers and social workers together on behalf of kids. Just one innovation Ernie came up with back then was to make a fingerprint card for as many Kentucky kids as possible, and send that card home to the child's parents to hang on to in the awful event their child ever went missing. A young man on my staff today still has his card, two decades later.

Ernie's work in Kentucky established him as a national leader for his cause as early as 1981. At that time, no nationwide organization existed to share and distribute information on missing children. If a child was abducted and taken over a State line, or even a county line, the chances that law enforcement in the new jurisdiction had all the information necessary to save that child were small. Ernie led the effort to lobby Congress to establish laws so that police could talk to each other across boundaries about missing kids. His work and patience bore fruit in 1984, when President Ronald Reagan signed the bill creating the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children as a public-private partnership.

Under Ernie's leadership, the Center has created the CyberTipline, an online reporting service that former Vice President Al Gore has called "the 911 for the Internet." They created the AMBER Alert System, notifying citizens statewide when a child has been kidnapped. They've worked on over 98,000 cases, and have been involved in the successful recovery of over 83,000 kids. Last year they had an astonishing success rate of 95 percent.

Mr. President, Ernie has labored for 20 years to save children from ghastly fates, and parents from horrible nightmares. It's a heartbreaking job at times. It provides a window into the ugliest parts of the human soul. But thanks to Ernie and the Center, there are a lot of success stories. Last month, a woman in Oklahoma City left her four-month-old baby in the back seat of her running car to pick up her other child from school. When she emerged a minute later, the car was gone. The police issued an AMBER Alert. They quickly tracked down the car and collared the kidnapper. Thankfully, the baby was still safely strapped in his car seat. We can all imagine his mother's relief. Multiply that feeling by 83,000 children saved, and you begin to see the good Ernie and the National Center do.

Twenty years ago, it was literally easier to find a stolen car than a missing child. Now because of Ernie, that is no longer the case. Parents across America owe Ernie thanks for the peace of mind they have every day, knowing that should the unspeakable ever happen, an incredible man is running a fine organization dedicated to rescuing their child. Kentucky, America, and the United States Senate pay tribute to Ernie Allen, and hope he will be on the side of justice and mercy for many years to come.

Mr. President, I ask my colleagues to join me in honoring this American hero whose roots run deep in the Kentucky Bluegrass.

I yield the floor.

#### ALEJANDRO FERNANDEZ

Mr. REID. Mr. President, I rise today to recognize Alejandro Fernandez as one of Mexico's leading musical performers and a strong supporter of philanthropic causes throughout the world.

A Latin Grammy award winner, Mr. Fernandez is among Mexico's most famous balladeers. He has entertained sold-out audiences throughout the world and is performing in Las Vegas today in celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month.

Alejandro's musical talent is hardly surprising. His father, Vicente Fernandez, is a legend in Mexico as the undisputed king of the style of music called "ranchera."

Alejandro Fernandez has contributed tremendously to global music and culture and has also used his fame to support many charitable endeavors. He has worked with the Ronald McDonald House Foundation Charity to support the Hispanic American Commitment to Education Resources scholarship program, the Nation's largest scholarship program for Hispanic students. Mr. Fernandez also has been a strong supporter of World Children's Day, a global fundraising effort that benefits the Ronald McDonald House Foundation Charity and other children's organizations in over 100 countries.

I hope my colleagues will join me in thanking Alejandro Fernandez for sharing his tremendous musical talents with the citizens of Las Vegas today and for his efforts to support charitable programs throughout the world.

#### LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT ACT OF 2003

Mr. SMITH. Mr. President, I rise today to speak about the need for hate crimes legislation. On May 1, 2003, Senator KENNEDY and I introduced the Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act, a bill that would add new categories to current hate crimes law, sending a signal that violence of any kind is unacceptable in our society.

On August 18, 2001 in Ithaca, NY, Michael Palahicky, 20, punched a man and called him an anti-gay epithet. He was charged with harassment as a bias crime.

I believe that the Government's first duty is to defend its citizens, to defend them against the harms that come out of hate. The Local Law Enforcement Enhancement Act is a symbol that can become substance. I believe that by passing this legislation and changing current law, we can change hearts and minds as well.

#### FORMER SENATOR BROCK ADAMS

Ms. CANTWELL. Mr. President, last week, Washington State and the Nation lost a dedicated civic servant who